

Food Needed for Children in our Area

We will continue to collect donations of food for children, you can drop off in the lobby of the Fellowship Hall.

Food Items Needed:

pasta, pop top canned soup, peanut butter, jelly in plastic jar, pop tarts, saltine crackers, vienna sausages, ramen noodles, granola bars, green beans, canned corn, baked beans, and fruit cups

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Hello Families! I will have to say that the start to my position as Children's Ministry Coordinator has been an interesting one. We are all living in a time where we have had to adjust to the fact that our world and daily routines are no longer the same. At home learning is no longer something that we distantly dream about for our kids, but is instead something that we have had to figure out. While life seems to be chaotic and different to say the least, let's hold onto the truth that we serve an all-knowing God. He knew that COVID-19 would occur before we even had a clue, and He knows when we will see an end to it.

At this exact moment I cannot tell you when our next face to face meeting will be, but I do have hope that it will be soon. In the mean-time I would love to try to meet "virtually." We tried out the first Children's Group Zoom call in March, and I would like to make this a regular event. Stay tuned for more details on our Facebook page. If you would like to join the Facebook Group search for Archdale United Methodist Church Children and Youth.

We haven't forgotten about the Easter Egg hunt, and hope to move it to May in the form of a Spring Fling. Stay tuned for more information. Looking forward to getting to know each one of you in the coming days and weeks. Feel free to contact me with any ideas or questions at: aumckids@northstate.net. I can't wait until we can all meet together again to worship! Hope to see you all virtually soon!

God Bless, Kelly Koonts

Join us for our virtual version of UM Kids at
4:30 pm on Sunday: April 5, 19, & 26



**APRIL
2020**

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WORSHIP TIMES

9:00 am
Worship Service
10:00 am
Sunday School
11:00 am
Casual Worship Service

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¹After the Sabbath, at dawn on the first day of the week, Mary Magdalene and the other Mary went to look at the tomb.

²There was a violent earthquake, for an angel of the Lord came down from heaven and, going to the tomb, rolled back the stone and sat on it. ³His appearance was like lightning, and his clothes were white as snow. ⁴The guards were so afraid of him that they shook and became like dead men.

⁵The angel said to the women, "Do not be afraid, for I know that you are looking for Jesus, who was crucified. ⁶He is not here; he has risen, just as he said. Come and see the place where he lay. ⁷Then go quickly and tell his disciples: 'He has risen from the dead and is going ahead of you into Galilee. There you will see him.' Now I have told you."

⁸So the women hurried away from the tomb, afraid yet filled with joy, and ran to tell his disciples. ⁹**Suddenly Jesus met them. "Greetings," he said. They came to him, clasped his feet and worshiped him.** ¹⁰**Then Jesus said to them, "Do not be afraid. Go and tell my brothers to go to Galilee; there they will see me."**

The Scripture above is from Matthew 28:1-10. It is the story of the resurrection of our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ. This man rode into Jerusalem on the back of a donkey as a King, but not as an ordinary King. Instead he was a servant king of fishermen, tax collectors, outsiders, foreigners, harlots, blind men, women, children, poor more often than rich, cripples, the oppressed, and those who were suffering.

He was crucified because he did not follow the rules of the religious establishment. Plus, he was advocating a life not based on swords or war with Rome, but a world driven by love, God's love for the world.

We are in a period of time that none of us has seen. A time where we are being asked to physically distance ourselves from our family, our church family, our friends, our co-workers, our neighbors, and strangers. We are not sure where this is going to lead us and what our country and world will look like in a month, two months, six months, or in a year. We are having to learn new ways to stay in touch socially such as Livestream worship, ZOOM calls, conference calls, letters and notes. These ways also remind us that we can still love one another even if we cannot be with our family and friends at church, share a meal at a restaurant, be with them at a ballgame or concert, or sit on the porch with them at home.

As we prepare for these weeks after Easter, may we come to the tomb with fresh eyes; Eyes that are ready to see Jesus as the Savior of unconditional love that he is; Eyes ready to see him working in our lives during this time of anxiousness and uncertainty; Eyes ready to see him when we are hurting and unsure of where we are heading in the future with life, retirement, and life after retirement; Eyes ready to see what the "new norm" may mean for our lives as followers of Christ.

But may we also come to the tomb with eyes ready to see that he will radically change the lives of those who see him as he really is, and not as they want him to be; Eyes ready to see the mission he has commanded us to do; Eyes ready to see that he, God's Son, is the King of Kings, the Lord of Lords, and the Servant of Servants; Eyes ready to see that he is our King, he is our Lord and that he will walk each day with us.

From the Van Meters, we pray that you had a very Happy Easter, and pray that we will all see Christ as he really is, particularly during this time of change!

In Christ's Service, Allan

Where We Were Last Month

Date	Offering Received	Budget Amount Received to Date	Budget Amount Needed to Date	Week #	Sunday School	Total Worship Attendance
03/01/2020	\$7,163.00	\$52,401.59	\$60,891.84	9	129	180
03/08/2020	\$5,700.00	\$58,101.59	\$67,657.60	10	96	150
03/15/2020	\$.00	\$58,101.59	\$74,423.36	11	No SS	No Service
03/22/2019	\$4,866.00	\$62,967.59	\$81,189.12	12	No SS	Online Service
03/29/2019	\$10,140.00	\$73,107.59	\$87,954.88	13	5th Sun.	Online Service

Building Fund

Given in March: \$640.00
Received to date: \$1520.00

AUMC NEWSMAKERS

The Archdale Trinity News of 02-27-2020 has a photograph of **Peggy Johnson** Working the polls for early voting at the Randolph County Community Services building.

The High Point Enterprise of 02-27-2020 contained a photograph and article on United Way. **Jane Liebscher** was pictured and also quoted in the article where five agencies of United Way of Greater High Point received Spirit of North Carolina awards.

The Trinity High School students who earned Honor Roll status for the second quarter are: **Devin Phan Du, Kacey Landon Fulcher and Hannah Olivia Grissom** - AB Honor roll - who are in the 11th grade. They were listed in the Archdale-Trinity News of 03-12-2020. Congratulations and keep up the good grades.



NEIGHBORHOOD CAFÉ

The Café will continue every Thursday at 5:30pm
Take out only in the drive thru

Please pray for those serving our country.

- Tyler Bowman - (Emma Snow's cousin)
- Logan Brinkley - US Marines (friend of Rae Hicks)
- Ian Burley - US Navy (brother-in-law of Dylan Fling)
- Matt Cain - US Army (family friend of the McGavics)
- Spencer Dyson - US Marines (grandson of Don Miller)
- Mason Fox - Iraq (friend of Maddie Dabbs)
- Alec Gardner - US Air Force (family friend of Sharon Crist)
- Bryan Hayworth - US Coast Guard (brother of Jami Coggins)
- Jospeh Hennessey - US Marines (nephew & Godson of Steven Durr)
- Ginniffer Hobbs - US Navy Sailor (niece of David McKinney)
- Richard Ivy - US Military, Louisiana (Lewis Stroud's grandson)
- Jake Lawrence - US Army (friend of Rebecca Kidd)
- Marcus McKeregan - US Navy (Gayle Rearwin's cousin)
- Daulton Rogers - US Marines (family friend of the McGavics)
- Eric Schneider - Afghanistan (Donn & Rachel Jackson's son-in-law)
- Zack Willey - US Army (Chuck & Jane Liebscher's son-in-law)



***"Save us, LORD our God,
and bring us back from among the
nations, that we may give thanks to your
holy name and glory in your praise."
Psalm 106:47***

Please Pray For Our Homebound Members:

Debbie Dean, Charles Dobbins, Mandy Forrester, Charlie Game,
Mary Lou Hines, Steve Lax, Wayne McGavic, Don Miller,
Ed Renn, Betty Roach, Nancy Roberts, Mary Jean Smith, Betty Warren



Honorariums

*In Honor of: Donna Smith's Birthday
Given by: Blain & Debbie Alwan*

The Archdale UMW has **Apple Pies** available in the church office for \$10 each.
(sugar-free only)



We are **SOLD OUT** of
Chicken Pies



**The Senior Luncheon
Scheduled for Wednesday,
April 15th has been canceled**

BBQ

Saturday, April 25th
11am - 7pm
\$8/plate

TAKE OUT ONLY

Happy Birthday!

- 04/01 Joy Lance
- 04/01 Eliana Lawrence
- 04/03 Samuel Huthmaker
- 04/03 Peggy Johnson
- 04/04 Stephen Durr
- 04/05 Heather Teater
- 04/06 Allan Van Meter
- 04/08 Eric Buchanan
- 04/08 Rob Lance
- 04/08 Cheryl Traylor
- 04/09 Angela Dyson
- 04/09 Kerry Gallimore
- 04/09 Courtney Gentry
- 04/10 Patricia Albach
- 04/11 Jim Aspley
- 04/11 Mylynda Ross
- 04/12 Steve Coltrane
- 04/12 Susan Daniels
- 04/12 Gage Hamilton
- 04/12 Phyllis Maine
- 04/13 Sean Kilby
- 04/14 Mark Clodfelter
- 04/15 Sherry Thomas
- 04/16 Benjamin Dowling
- 04/16 James Harris
- 04/16 Emmalina Stevens
- 04/16 Myndy Walden
- 04/16 Teresa Wood
- 04/16 Tanya Work
- 04/17 Kevin Work
- 04/18 Colin Ceiswich
- 04/18 Kim Chapman
- 04/18 Jo Carol Dobbins
- 04/18 Hannah Grissom
- 04/20 Charlie Game
- 04/22 Bill Maine
- 04/23 Alex Kilby
- 04/23 Jack Pascual
- 04/25 Carol Burns
- 04/25 Stuart Hunter
- 04/26 Chris Game
- 04/26 Joe Hoover

- 04/27 Tom Anderson
- 04/27 Amy Burns
- 04/28 Kym Simpson
- 04/29 Andrew Hamilton
- 04/29 Matthew Hunt
- 04/29 Ashley Lanier
- 04/29 Steve Stutts
- 04/30 Baylor Lance
- 04/30 Lisa Smith
- 04/30 Kevin Teater
- 04/30 Mary Yow



Homebound Members Birthday

Our Homebound Members are very important members of our congregation. We would like to remind them they are remembered and thought of. If you would like to send them a birthday card, thinking of you card, or give them a call, this would mean so much to each of our Homebound Members.

April 20 Charlie Game
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Uncharted Territory All Around

To say we are in uncharted territory is a major understatement right now. Never in my lifetime, your lifetime, and many of the adults in our church's lifetime have we been required to "stay home" from such an extended period of time! Everything is so up in the air right now it is difficult to plan anything when every decision being made is remade several days later. I think part of what makes this whole experience so different aside from "social distancing" and "quarantines" is the fear that we have for the unknown aspect of things. All kinds of questions race through our minds on a daily basis. What's going to happen tomorrow? What if we go on mandatory lock down and really can't leave the house? How will we get food? What if we don't get to return to school this year? and even What if we run out of toilet paper?

I know on teachers this has been a very stressful transition as we have moved to online learning and "remote learning" in such a short time period. While I cannot begin to think about how stressful this transition has been to some students, I know that each of you are full of resilience and have a strong foundation of faith and love of Jesus. Keep the promise of Jesus close to your heart whenever you start to feel anxious over the current, ever changing events.

I found it interesting that the word "quarantine" comes from the Italian word "quarantina" which means "forty days"... Let that sink in just a moment... FORTY DAYS! I am not saying we will follow this pattern for forty days but I do think that it is timely that this is occurring during our season of Lent when we prepare our hearts for the Resurrection of Jesus for the forty days leading up to Easter. Many of you chose to give something up for Lent. As we move closer and closer to Easter Sunday, rekindle that relationship with Jesus and think back to Ash Wednesday when you made the decision to give up whatever you chose to give up for Lent. Given the current quarantine scenario we are living in its easy to get bored and have nothing to do. It is so easy to fall into bad habits when we throw a routine schedule out the door. Just because you can spend the entire day bingeing Netflix or other streaming option doesn't mean you should. Don't spend your days mindlessly scrolling through social media sites like Tik Tok and Instagram. Set a schedule and stick to it! Include in your schedule some time for school work, some "fun" or "free" time, some outside time (or at least some physical movement), and of course, some time to spend with Jesus.

Everyone's time with Jesus is going to look different and that is okay! Some may simply pray multiple times a day. Others may take time to listen to music on Pandora, Spotify, or Apple Music. Maybe you really like to write or talk to people so you can create a blog or vlog about your relationship with Jesus for others to read. It is totally up to you how you spend your time growing closer to Jesus during this time of quarantine. Do it by yourself, do it with your family, do it with friends!

I have several "mobile games" that I can send you to play with your families if you want them. The games are picture slides that can be pulled up on a phone and played in pairs or in groups. I have also set up a Youth Group FlipGrid so that we can all keep in touch with each other throughout this social distancing process. FlipGrid is a free app you can download on your smart phone or tablet and log in using a Google Account or Microsoft account. As I post topics to discuss you can respond by recording a short video response and post it to the topic so that everyone can see it and respond to it. It is a really cool app that will help us stay in touch! To join/follow the FlipGrid group go to the following link and sign in (<https://flipgrid.com/bentley9352>).

"Do not be anxious about anything, but in every situation, by prayer and petition, with thanksgiving, present your requests to God. And the peace of God, which transcends all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus."

~Philippians 4:6-7

In Christ,
Cory